

Notice of Allowability

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 8/16/2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3-10 and 12-17.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 28 November 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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PRIMARY EXAMINER

DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is responsive to the applicant's amendment filed on 8/16/2004.
2. Claims 1, 3, 10 have been amended, and claims 2 and 11 have been canceled.
3. Claims 1, 3-10 and 12-17 are pending and presented for examination.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1, 3-10, and 12-17 are allowed over the prior art of record.
5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Regarding the independent claims 1 and 10, the prior art taken singularly or in combination fail to teach or suggest: a system for determining via the retrieving module if an exporting file has an identification code in the database that exactly matches the identification code inputting by the user, wherein if the exactly matching exporting file is available... comparing via the retrieving module the identification code inputted by the user with identification of exporting files in the database, and determining if an exporting file in the database has an identification code similarly matching the identification code inputted by the user, wherein if the similarly matching exporting file available, ..., and informing the user at the terminal device of failure in searching an exactly matching or similarly matching exporting file via the system for inquiring product exportation, in combination with the other claims limitations were not disclosed by, would not have been obvious over, nor would have been fairly suggested by the prior art of record.

The dependent claims being further limiting to the independent claims, definite and enabled by the specification are also allowed.

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The closest prior art Hudetz et al. (U. S. Pat No. 6, 199,048) disclose a system and method for automatic access of remote computer over a network using identification codes wherein a computer is provided having a database that relates Uniform Product Code (UPC) permitting a user to enter the product's UPC symbol manually, by swiping a bar code reader over the UPC symbol, or via other suitable input means. Hudetz et al. did not implicitly disclose the system for comparing via the retrieving module the identification code inputted by the user with identification of exporting files in the database, and determining if an exporting file in the database has an identification code similarly matching the identification code inputted by the user, wherein if the similarly matching exporting file available, ..., and informing the user at the terminal device of failure in searching an exactly matching or similarly matching exporting file via the system for inquiring product exportation as recited in independent claims 1 and 10. The closest prior art fails to anticipate or render Applicant's limitations above obvious.

Regarding the independent claims 7, 13 and 17, the prior art taken singularly or in combination fail to teach or suggest: a system for establishing a quotation exportation data report so as to allow the user to examine the exported products and transmitting the quotation and the exported products to a client who orders the exported products, for allow him to examine and pay for the products according to the quotation upon receiving the quotation and the exportation data report. These limitations in combination with the other claims limitations were not disclosed by, would not have been obvious over, nor would have been fairly suggested by the prior art of record.

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jacques Veillard whose telephone number is (571) 272-4086. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon. to Fri. from 9 Am to 4:30 PM, alt. Fri. off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dov Popovici can be reached on (571) 272- 4083. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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